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1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF STATEMENT MADE BY AMBASSADOR CHORAFAS AT JULY 18 NAC. CHORAFAS MADE CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS WERE FROM ATHENS ALTHOUGH DRAFTING WAS HIS OWN.
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THE GREEK GOVERNMENT REJECTS WITH INDIGNATION ALLEGATIONS

ACCORDING TO WHICH IT COULD HAVE HAD THE LEAST INVOLVEMENT IN THE RECENT EVENTS ON CYPRUS. IT THUS CONSIDERS AS DEVOID OF ANY REAL FOUNDATION THE ACCUSATIONS AGAINST THE GREEK OFFICERS PRESENTLY PLACED AT THE DISPOSITION OF THE CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT.

NEVERTHELESS, IN ITS DESIRE TO SATISFY THE REQUEST MADE BY THE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AND TO FURNISH SUPPLEMENTARY PROOF OF ITS GOOD FAITH AND ITS PEACEFUL AND FRIENDLY INTENTIONS TOWARD ALL, IT (GREEK GOVERNMENT) HAS MADE THE DECISION TO REPLACE THE ABOVE-MENTIONED OFFICERS AND HOPES THAT THIS GESTURE WILL BE APPRECIATED TO ITS EXACT VALUE.

THE REPLACEMENT WILL BE EFFECTED IN STAGES AND IT WILL BE BEGUN IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. END TEXT RUMSFELD UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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